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John Drabek, P.E.
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Northwest Regional Office
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RE: Lone Star Northwest, NPDES/General Permit WAG-50-3191
Process Water Discharge Sampling Procedures

Dear Mr. Drabek:

On November 2, 1999 I contacted you via telephone to report that Lone Star Northwest inadvertently overlooked the second of two October 1999 process water sampling requirements at our East Marginal Way concrete batch plant. As you are aware, the revised General Permit requires that treated ready-mix concrete process water be monitored twice per month for turbidity. Unfortunately, the second turbidity sample at the East Marginal Way facility was missed. Although the missed sample reflected very unusual conditions, Lone Star has taken several measures including additional training to avoid similar oversights in the future.

Immediately after discovering the situation (on November 2), Lone Star collected a subsequent sample to provide a representative depiction of process water discharges during the latter part of October. The results of this sampling event, as well as the results from the first October sampling event, are presented below and hopefully reinforce for Ecology the continuing trend of monitoring results at the East Marginal Way facility.

October 4, 1999 Sample

pH	6.99 SU
TSS	3 mg/l
Turbidity	0.6 NTU
TDS	470 mg/l

November 2, 1999 Sample

Turbidity	2.8 NTU
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Please call me at (206) 768-7612 if you have any questions about this matter.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Manager

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